Our Union sisters Julie Garrett and Chelsey Franz recently attend the AFL-CIO WOMEN’S GLOBAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM in NYC March 16th-March 19th. This year the program focused on eliminating gender-based violence in the workplace.

Topics such as globalization and neo-liberalism were addressed; specifically focusing on how they impact the global economy and gender-based violence in the workplace. Attendees focused on recognizing and identifying power structures and building strategies to shift the power to structures that will support the labor movement and women in the workplace. Julie and Chelsey had the opportunity to attend panel sessions presented by international labor and women activists, hosted by the United Nations Annual Commission on the Status of Women.

Both came home with a deeper understanding of the global economy as well as ideas for solutions and actions that will not only advance the labor movement but help eliminate gender-based violence in the workplace. Be sure to be on the lookout for potential upcoming opportunities to get informed and involved!